

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Patent Application of Robert Engel <i>et al.</i>	:	Attorney Docket No.: 101713-5056
Appn. No.:	10/567,389	:	Examiner: Liam J. Heincer
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For:	ANTIMICROBIAL POLYMERS	:	Group Art Unit: 1796

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND SPECIES ELECTION REQUIREMENTS

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on May 20, 2010, in connection with the above-captioned application. This response is timely filed, as June 20, 2010, was a Sunday.

In response to the Species Election Requirement, Applicants elect the species of “quaternary ammonium groups”. In response to the alleged lack of unity of the claims, Applicants elect to pursue the composition claims, claims 1-29.

These elections are made without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter of the non-elected claims and species, and Applicants reserve the right to pursue the non-elected subject matter in one or more divisional and/or continuation applications.

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Favorable examination of the claims is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner wish to discuss any aspect of this application, Applicants' representatives suggest a telephonic interview to expedite allowance of the application.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any required fees due in connection with this filing or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. **50-0310** (Billing No. 101713-5056).

Respectfully submitted,

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